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# Some properties of the $Y$ - method of summability in complete ultrametric fields

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### Abstract

In this paper, a few results regarding the  $Y$ -method of summability in complete ultrametric fields are proved.

Let  $K$  be a complete ultrametric field. Throughout the present paper, infinite matrices, sequences and series have entries in  $K$ . Given an infinite matrix  $A = (\alpha_i^j), i, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and a sequence  $\{u_j\}, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , by the  $A$ -transform of  $\{u_j\}$ , we mean the sequence  $\{v_i\}$ ,

$$v_i = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_i^j u_j, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

where it is assumed that the series on the right converge. If  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} v_i = s$ , we say that the sequence  $\{u_j\}$  is  $A$ -summable to  $s$ .

The  $Y$ -method of summability in  $K$  is defined as follows: the  $Y$ -method is given by the infinite matrix  $Y = (\alpha_i^j)$ , where

$$\alpha_i^j = \lambda_{i-j},$$

$\{\lambda_n\}$  being a bounded sequence in  $K$ . Srinivasan's method [4] is a particular case with  $K = \mathbb{Q}_p$ , the  $p$ -adic field for a prime  $p$ ,  $\lambda_0 = \lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \lambda_n = 0, n > 1$ .

We shall prove a few results about the  $Y$ -method using properties of analytic functions (a general reference in this direction is [2]).

Let  $U$  be the closed unit disk in  $K$  and let  $H(U)$  be the set of all power series converging in  $U$ , with coefficients in  $K$ . Let  $h(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n x^n$  and

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$l(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} v_n x^n$ . The following result is easily proved.

**Lemma 1.** *The sequence  $\{u_n\}$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $s$  if and only if the function  $l$  is of the form*

$$l(x) = \frac{s}{1-x} + \psi(x),$$

where  $\psi \in H(U)$ . We now have

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $\phi(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n x^n$ . The  $Y$ -transform  $\{v_n\}$  of the sequence  $\{u_n\}$  satisfies*

$$l(x) = \phi(x)h(x),$$

*i.e., The  $Y$ -transform  $\{v_n\}$  of  $\{u_n\}$  is the convolution product of  $\{u_n\}$  and  $\{\lambda_n\}$ .*

Most of the theorems that are proved in the sequel use the following basic Lemma which is true in any complete ultrametric field and which follows as a corollary of the Hensel Lemma.

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $h \in H(U)$  and  $a \in U$  such that  $h(a) = 0$ . Then there exists  $t \in H(U)$  such that*

$$h(x) = (x - a)t(x).$$

We now prove the main results of the paper.

**Theorem 1.** *If  $\{a_n\}$  is  $Y$ -summable to 0,  $\{b_n\}$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $B$ , then  $\{c_n\}$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $B \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \right)$ , where  $c_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k b_{n-k}$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , i.e.,  $\{c_n\}$  is the convolution product of  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  and  $g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n$ . Then  $\phi(x)f(x) \in H(U)$  and  $\phi(x)g(x) = \frac{B}{1-x} + \theta(x)$ , where  $\theta \in H(U)$ . Consequently the convolution product  $\{c_n\}$  of the sequences  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  satisfies:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n &= (\phi(x)g(x))f(x) \\ &= \left( \frac{B}{1-x} + \theta(x) \right) f(x) \\ &= \left( \frac{B}{1-x} + \theta(x) \right) \{f(1) + (f(x) - f(1))\} \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \frac{Bf(1)}{1-x} + \frac{B(f(x) - f(1))}{1-x} + \theta(x)f(x).$$

In view of Lemma 3,  $\frac{f(x)-f(1)}{1-x} \in H(U)$ . So

$$\phi(x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = \frac{Bf(1)}{1-x} + \gamma(x),$$

where  $\gamma \in H(U)$ . Using Lemma 1, the result follows.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $K$  be a complete ultrametric field of characteristic  $\neq 2$ . Let  $\lambda_0 = \lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\lambda_n = 0, n > 1$ . If  $\{a_n\}$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $A$ ,  $\{b_n\}$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $B$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\gamma_{n+2} - \gamma_n) = 2AB,$$

where  $\{\gamma_n\}$  is the  $Y$ -transform of  $\{c_n\}$ .

**Proof.** Let us retain the same notations regarding  $f, g$ . Let  $F(x) = \phi(x)g(x)f(x)$ . Again  $\phi(x)g(x) = \frac{B}{1-x} + \theta(x)$ ,  $\phi(x)f(x) = \frac{A}{1-x} + \xi(x)$ , where  $\theta, \xi \in H(U)$ .

Hence

$$\phi^2(x)f(x)g(x) = \frac{AB}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{A\theta(x) + B\xi(x)}{1-x} + \xi(x)\theta(x).$$

On the other hand, let  $h(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \gamma_n x^n$ . Then  $h(x) = \phi(x)f(x)g(x)$  so that

$\phi^2(x)f(x)g(x) = \phi(x)h(x)$  and consequently

$$\phi(x)h(x) = \frac{AB}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{\omega(x)}{1-x},$$

where  $\omega \in H(U)$ . Now,

$$(1-x)\phi(x)h(x) = \frac{AB}{1-x} + \omega(x).$$

Since  $\lambda_0 = \lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\lambda_n = 0, n > 1$ ,  $\phi(x) = \frac{1+x}{2}$  and so

$$(1-x) \left( \frac{1+x}{2} \right) h(x) = \frac{AB}{1-x} + \omega(x)$$

i.e., 
$$\left( \frac{1-x^2}{2} \right) h(x) = \frac{AB}{1-x} + \omega(x)$$

i.e., 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\gamma_n - \gamma_{n-2}}{2} \right) x^n = \frac{AB}{1-x} + \omega(x).$$

Now the result follows using Lemma 1.

We now return back to the general case when  $\{\lambda_n\}$  is a bounded sequence in any complete ultrametric field  $K$  and  $\alpha_i^j = \lambda_{i-j}, i, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ .

**Definition.** The series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k$  is said to be  $Y$ -summable to  $l$  if  $\{s_n\}$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $l$ , where  $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ .

We now have

**Theorem 3.** Suppose  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n = l$ . Let  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$  be  $Y$ -summable to  $m$ . Then  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $lm$ .

**Proof.** Let  $t_n = \sum_{k=0}^n b_k, w_n = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Let  $f, g$  have the same meaning as in the preceding theorems. We notice that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t_n x^n = g(x) \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \right) = \frac{g(x)}{1-x}.$$

Since  $\{t_n\}$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $m$ , we have,

$$\frac{\phi(x)g(x)}{1-x} = \frac{m}{1-x} + \psi(x),$$

where  $\psi \in H(U)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\phi(x)f(x)g(x)}{1-x} &= m \frac{f(x) - f(1)}{1-x} + \frac{mf(1)}{1-x} + \psi(x) \\ &= \frac{mf(1)}{1-x} + \theta(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\theta \in H(U)$  ( this is so because  $\frac{f(x)-f(1)}{1-x} \in H(U)$ ) and  $f(1) = l$ . The proof is now complete.

**Remark 1.** In the classical case, we have the following result: If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n| < \infty$

and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n = l, \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $m$ , then  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n$  is  $Y$ -summable to

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$lm$ . Theorem 3 thus gives yet another instance where absolute convergence in classical analysis is effectively replaced by ordinary convergence in non-archimedean analysis.

In the context of summability factors (For the definition of summability factors or convergence factors, see, for instance, [3], pp.38-39), the following result about the  $Y$ - method is interesting.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n = 0$ . If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  is  $Y$ - summable and  $\{b_n\}$  converges,

then  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n$  is  $Y$ -summable.

**Proof.** Let  $s_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \{s_n\}$  be  $Y$ - summable to  $s, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = m$ .

Let  $b_n = m + \epsilon_n$  so that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \epsilon_n = 0$ . Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n = 0, \phi \in H(U)$ . Since  $\{s_n\}$  is  $Y$ - summable to  $s$ , we have,

$$\frac{\phi(x)f(x)}{1-x} = \frac{s}{1-x} + \psi(x),$$

where  $\psi \in H(U)$ . Now,

$$\frac{\phi(x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n x^n}{1-x} = \frac{m\phi(x)f(x)}{1-x} + \frac{\phi(x)\theta(x)}{1-x},$$

where  $\theta(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \epsilon_n x^n$  and  $\theta \in H(U)$ . Consequently

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n x^n &= \frac{ms}{1-x} + \psi(x) + \frac{\phi(x)\theta(x)}{1-x} \\ &= \frac{ms + \phi(1)\theta(1)}{1-x} + \omega(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\omega \in H(U)$  so that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n$  is  $Y$ -summable to  $ms + \phi(1)\theta(1)$ , completing the proof of the theorem.

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